## Village Libraries—propagation of.

**57. A. V. Moothedan** *(Chalakkudi).*—Will the Government be pleased to state —

(a) how far the propagation of Village Libraries has progressed;

(b) has the Director of Public Instruction decided in which villages he should start Village Libraries this year;

(c) if so, will at least one Village Library be started in the Chalakkudi Constituency?

**Rao Sahib I. N. Menon** *(Director of Public Instruction).*—(a) 4 new Village Libraries have been started; 3 in 1111 and 1 sanctioned to be opened in 1111 actually started in Kanni 1112.

(b) No.

(c) No assurance can be given.

**Mr. A. V. Moothedan** *(Chalakudi).*—Did not the Member for Education give a definite promise that one library would be started this year in my constituency? I wanted three.

**Rao Sahib I. N. Menon** *(Director of Public Instruction).*—Mr. President, Sir, I am not sure of any proposals having been made. What I meant was this. Every effort will be made to equip this constituency with a library. Even now, Government are unable to give an assurance. Assurance is as good as giving. Until and unless we get the report of the Inspecting Officers it is not possible to concede which is urgent and which is not.

## Grant per pupil—School for the Blind.

**58. Mr. K. T. Mathew** *(Kunnamkulam).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether any grant is being given to Cochinites who are receiving tuition at (i) the School for the Deaf and Dumb and (ii) Schools for the Blind at Palamcottah; and if so,

(b) what is the grant that is being given monthly per pupil;

(c) whether there is any school for the Blind in the State; and if so,

(d) what is the monthly grant that is being given per pupil in the school ?

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